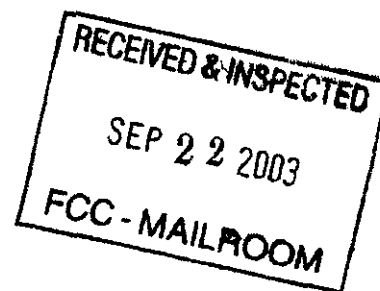




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September 8, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms Dortch:

The accompanying affidavit is filed in accordance with the *Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256*, FCC 01-157 (adopted May 10, 2001, released May 23, 2001). The affidavit is **Farmers Mutual Telephone Company** certification that any federal high-cost support received by **Farmers Mutual Telephone Company** is being used in a manner consistent with 47 U.S.C § 254(e).

A copy of this letter and affidavit is also being submitted to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) in accordance with the above-referenced Order.

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing should be addressed to our office.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. Jay Garrett".
J. Jay Garrett
General Manager

Enclosure

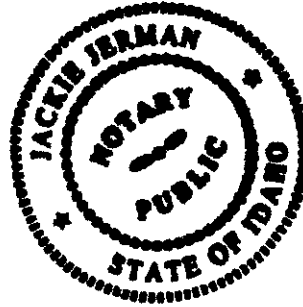
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AFFIDAVIT

I, J Jay Garrett, General Manager hereby affirm that all federal high-cost revenues received by **Farmers Mutual Telephone Company** have been used exclusively for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and/or service for which the support is intended in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended, 47 C.F.R. Section 54.314.

J. Jay Garrett
J. Jay Garrett, General Manager
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September, 2003.

My commission expires: 10-25-05

Jackie Ierman
Notary Public